## FOREST AFFAIRS—COMPLAINT FROM NETTISSERI, OLLUKKARA, ETC.

**325. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan** *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received any petition from Erinjeri Antony Poranchu and others of Nettisseri, Ollukkara villages in Kanni first week complaining about the conduct of certain Forest Officers;

(*b*) if so, will they be pleased to print and place on the table of the House a copy of the petition;

(*c*) what action has been taken in the matter;

(*d*) the number of cases charged under the Forest Act in 1114 by the Paravattani Forester;

(*e*) the fines and compounding fees received by the Government from the offenders in cases referred to in (*d*)?

**Mr. T. Narayana Menon** *(Conservator of Forests):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The petition is placed on the Council table.

(*c*) The matter was enquired into and the allegations found to be baseless.

(*d*) There are 2 Paravattani Foresters, one in charge of Paravattani East and the other of Paravattani West Sub-range. 45 cases were charged by the West Paravattani Forester and 24 by the East Paravattani Forester.

(*e*) Rs. 524—0—0.

## TRAMWAY WORKSHOP—SAW-MILL SECTION—LEASE OF

**326. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon** *(Cranganur):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the period for which the saw-mill section of the Tramway workshop has been leased to the Anamalais Timber Trust, Ltd., and

(*b*) will the Government kindly state whether enquiries were made of other persons whether they were prepared to take up the workshop on lease for a sum more than rupees nine hundred per annum?

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